

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-12

CITY OF WATKINS
MEEKER COUNTY, MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ON-SALE MALT LIQUOR AND ON-SALE WINE AT WATKINS BASEBALL PARK

WHEREAS, Minnesota State Statute 340A.404, Subd. 1 (d) allows for a municipality to issue an on-sale malt liquor license and an on-sale wine license to a baseball team competing in a league established by the Minnesota Baseball Association for beverage sales at a ballpark or stadium located with the municipality for the purposes of town ball games and any other events at the ballpark or stadium, not withstanding any law, local ordinance or charter provision, and;

WHEREAS, there is a provision in state statute that prohibits teams from being issued a license(s) if the ballpark or stadium is on public school district property, and;

WHEREAS, the City of Watkins Baseball Park is located on property owned by the Eden Valley-Watkins School District and is leased by the City of Watkins, and;

WHEREAS, the City of Watkins baseball park is home of the Watkins Clippers amateur baseball team, which competes in the league established by the Minnesota Baseball Association, and;

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Watkins supports the efforts of the Watkins Clippers to be allowed the privilege of receiving an on-sale malt liquor license and on-sale wine license; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Watkins supports that sales would only take place during amateur baseball games and other events at the baseball park and that no sale of alcohol take place during any Minnesota State High School League athletic events.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Watkins City Council hereby supports the Watkins Clippers amateur baseball team to be able to enjoy the same privilege as other amateur baseball teams and be allowed a license to sell on-sale malt liquor and on-sale wine at the Clippers Baseball Park and that no sale of alcohol take place at any Minnesota High School League athletic events.

Adopted by the Watkins City Council this 14th day of March, 2024.

Mayor Christopher Rowan

ATTEST:

Clerk Debra Kramer